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Klamath National Forest Seeks Comments for State Grant Application to Study Off-Highway Vehicle Use

Yreka, CA — The Klamath National Forest has applied for funding through the state of California to assist with costs related to sustaining and planning long-term Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) use. The state OHV Recreation Division is making funds available for projects on public lands, but public land managers must give the public an opportunity to comment on their grant applications for state funds.

The Klamath is requesting funding that will facilitate OHV use in the Humbug Creek area (~7 miles NW of Yreka), and for an area north of County Road A-12 near Juniper Flat (2 miles NW of the Hwy 97/A-12 junction). If awarded, those funds would be used to plan for future projects that would help preserve natural and cultural resources while sustaining OHV use into the future. The Forest has also applied for funds to assist with law enforcement activities related to OHV recreation to ensure public safety.

Preliminary grant application documents can be viewed at the Forest Supervisor's office in Yreka or on-line starting on Tuesday, March 2, 2010 at <http://134.186.25.134/user/home.aspx>. Instruction for viewing the documents can be found under "Public Review Instructions" and the documents are located under "Review Preliminary Applications". The public review and comment period is open from March 2 through April 5, 2010. Comments may be mailed to: Klamath National Forest, 1312 Fairlane Road, Yreka, CA 96097, attention to: OHV Grants. Comments must be postmarked or e-mailed by April 5, 2010 to receive consideration.

Written comments may also be submitted via e-mail to klamathinfo@fs.fed.us. For more information on the grant applications, or to give verbal comments, contact Jim Stout, Juniper Flat area, (530) 398-5771; Kevin Walton, Humbug Creek, (530) 468-1203; or Jeff Brown, Law Enforcement, (530) 841-4464.